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## HOWARD ON UNION.

AN INTERVIEW WITH THE POPULIST CONGRESSMAN FROM ALABAMA.

**Reformers Will Unite In 1896 In Opposition to Plutocracy—How the Negroes Have Been Used In Alabama—The Kind of Men Who Are Populists.**

[Special Correspondence.]

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Hon. Milford W. Howard, Populist, representing the Seventh Alabama district in this house, has had a rather funny experience. There were all sorts of wild talk about the various punishments he was to suffer, of which social ostracism was the very least and being shot the worst. At any rate he was to receive a severe physical chastisement. He came. They took one good look at his 6 feet 2 of stalwart manhood and dropped the subject of chastisement at once and forever. He is the beau ideal of physical strength and proportion, with a clear skin, fair complexion and dark eyes; has just reached the age of 33 and is good for any amount of work as well as self defense. After dropping the idea of violence as aforesaid and making his acquaintance the savage critics were surprised to find him a rather good fellow and quite able to hold his own in any opinions he has advanced. Mr. Howard does not deny that he has written some paragraphs with the effervescence of youth, and that had he had more experience he might have changed the style considerably, but as to the facts he declares that more than one Washingtonian has said to him, "You didn't tell half the truth." In answer to some general questions from me Mr. Howard said:

"The situation has cleared with a suddenness we did not expect, and I feel more hopeful now than for years. The greatest danger that confronted the advocates of monetary reform was that things would drag on for months or even for years, the country being very much in the condition of a man with a low fever which refuses to come to a crisis, an invalid whose strength declines so slowly that he refuses to consider it seriously. We have got bravely over that and very suddenly. The grand old party has been boasting for years of the wonderful financial system it had built up, and the gold Democrats have been telling us that all we needed was to stick to a gold basis heroically and prosperity was ours. Well, their wonderful financial system was touched—no, it wasn't even touched; it was just pointed at—and it is tumbling about their ears. Just look at the ridiculous position of this country, with a financial system which, according to all its advocates, results in a terrific panic whenever there is a change of the party in power and falls into hopeless chaos whenever foreign financiers point at it. By the way, we had our first full conference today, all the Populists in congress. We are not ready to give out our plans, but one thing you may say with certainty, that there will be a union of all the advocates of monetary reform."

"On the basis of free silver?"

"Oh, no, indeed. That is quite too narrow. It will be on the basis of a general monetary reform—that the control of the currency must be taken from the banks once for all and placed in the hands of government. The way is now opened for a thorough union, or a fusion if you prefer to call it such, without sacrifice of principle. We shall declare for the Omaha platform generally, with free silver prominent as the first step. The silver men in other parties can do the same of course as to their several beliefs. Events are now driving all the reform elements toward a union. The purchase of The National Watchman by Senator Stewart is but a symptom. The people feel the pinch as they never did before, but not so bad as they will. Events are showing the rottenness and injustice of our present system so thoroughly that all are convinced who are willing to look at the facts.

"As General Garfield pointed out in his days of liberalism, the ever present danger to a democracy is that the plutocrats will get it in their power. If we should now have a war, with the banks and money lords holding their present power, the results would be awful beyond what the most pessimistic surmise. The enormous national debt thus created, the permanent grip assured to the banks, the enormous concentration of wealth and the burdens placed upon the people by increased pension lists and other government expenses would be but the beginning. They would be merely the factors needed to create the despotism of a plutocracy. Against this there must be a speedy union—a union of all reform forces."

"On that, I take it, we are nearly agreed, but the trouble is we do not as yet see the process. What, in your opinion, is to be the course in 1896?"

"Well, I take it as settled that the national conventions of both the old parties will declare for the gold basis. A big majority of the Democrats are opposed to it, but they won't be allowed to control. The party machinery is such as to throw the control of conventions to the cities and large towns and in them to the bankers and money lords. It is barely possible, of course, that the country, especially in the south and west, will assert itself, but I think not. Then will come the supreme test. The old party hacks, men like Dan Voorhees, will go with their party, as they always have, and many thousands who now seem firm will go with them. Only yesterday two Democratic members swore to me that they would bolt a gold platform, but I know they won't. A true Populist soon learns how to detect the hollow ring of a counterfeit silverite. The thoughtful and sincere silver Democrats will revolt and so will the same kind of Republicans, though there are not so many of them. Then will come the practical question how to get together. It can be done. In fact, I may say the plan is as good as perfected."

"I quite agree with you that a war with England on our present financial basis would be an appalling calamity to the producing classes, especially the farmers. In fact, I consider that within a score of years, and probably half the time, after the close of that war the working farmers who are not large landowners would practically be reduced to the condition of a peasantry. But I have hoped that all this war talk was only to make a scare for ulterior purposes."

"Yes, this British and Venezuela business is a good thing to distract the minds of the people from our financial affairs, and nobody knows how much real patriotism there is in it and how much trickery, but so much the more reason for a union of the reform elements. Besides, history teaches us that the worst wars have come about in this very way, each side believing that the other would not fight and going on with its bluster until neither could back out. Cleveland has served the plutocrats most faithfully, and if they have a spark of gratitude they will stand by him. He will continue to do all he can for them, but he is a woefully ignorant man and his schemes often miscarry. His state papers are so carefully overlooked by better informed men that his ignorance seldom shows in them, but in his outside talk, in spite of all his dull commonplaces, he occasionally lets slip a word or two showing that of all this country west of the Alleghanies and south of the Potomac he knows less than a schoolboy. If I had not already too much the reputation of a sensationalist, I would bring in a resolution to impeach him. Several Democrats have assured me they would support it. He has grossly violated the law in several particulars."

"What is the situation in Alabama?"

"Well, it is mixed. Historically the case is like this: There was a split between the Bourbon and Jeffersonian Democrats and that with the rise of the Farmers' Alliance made the Populist party, but the old Bourbons used the black counties to retain control. It is the same way Alabama was taken out of the Union, the black counties having two or three times as much political strength as the whites in them were entitled to. Yancey cursed the men of the hills as savagely as he did the Yankees—in fact, he said they weren't fit to have a voice. When one of our men appealed to him to let the people vote on secession, he said: 'D—n the people! If they vote up there, they'll stay in the Union!' This black county business is the queerest twist in all history. First the negroes in the black counties were enumerated for representation and used to rule the state for slavery and then to take it out of the Union; in reconstruction they were used to hold down the Democrats, then there was another revolution and the Democrats used them to hold down the Republicans, and after beating the home Republicans and using the negroes to beat the northern radicals at their own game, they turned in and used the negroes to beat each other and finally to beat us. And what they will use them for next God only knows. It's a queer round. Northern people, however, need not flatter themselves that they are done with the negro question just yet.

"I see you recently wrote about the big proportion of working landowners and skillful laborers among the Populists where you had been. Well, it's the same everywhere. Go where you may in the United States, men of the old parties will talk about the Populists being a set of ne'er do wells who haven't made anything for themselves and want other people's property, but ask them how it is in their neighborhood, and they will always say, 'Oh, the Populists around here are first rate men.' Now, I'll give you an interesting fact: I have made many public speeches and attended many more, and I never was interrupted by a drunken Populist or saw it done, though I have been by Democrat or Republican. But to conclude, emphasize the fact that union is the immediate and pressing duty and that our enemies have themselves opened a great and effectual door for us."

The singular action of the president in attempting to float his financial scheme on the wave of popularity created by his message on Venezuela and the curiously fluctuating nature of congressional action, with the further decline of prices, have brought the year 1895 to a close with this country in what is certainly the most extraordinary condition ever reached in a land with unbounded resources and an intelligent people. I will particularize on one point only. One year ago the department of agriculture announced the lowest general range of prices ever known and confidently promised an advance. On the 1st of December it issued a bulletin showing a very great decline in everything except wheat, hay and cotton and a general average so far below that of a year ago as to make that report, viewed in the retrospect, seem like a halleluiah psalm. Within three weeks the decline had been so great as to render the report of Dec. 1 obsolete.

On the 1st of December the average on everything showed a decline of about 20 per cent and the advocates of the present system assured us that the bottom was reached at last and the promised land almost in sight. As near as I can make out from today's paper, there has been a decline of at least 8 per cent more, and the end is not yet. The farmers having no money, there is very little market for manufactures, so skilled laborers must suffer and gold must be exported because at the present low prices our exports will not pay the debt; the export of gold paralyzes the market and leads to a further decline, and so the vicious circle goes on. We are paying England twice what we agreed to when we borrowed the money and at the same time threatening to fight her. And these fellows who talk the loudest about fighting England and being independent and patriotic will go to the polls next fall and every numbscull of them vote for English financial domination. Was there ever, since God made man in his own image and endowed him with reason, any people who voluntarily voted themselves into such a fix?

J. H. BROWNING.

### Not One Cent For Tribute.

The echoes of the reading of the president's message had scarcely ceased in the halls of congress before measures were introduced looking to the issue of bonds as a means of providing funds for arms, munitions and armaments.

That a war or prospects of war will be seized as an oportunity by the money oligarchy or bondocracy to saddle upon the country bonds mountain high there is not a doubt.

That the tribe of interest suckers will expect the American people in the event of war or prospects of war to forget their own grievances may be confidently looked for, but that the level headed, intelligent, thinking classes are going to lose their heads and allow the Shylocks under the guise of patriotism to load the country with an enormous bonded indebtedness we are not prepared to believe.

"Everything for defense, but not one cent for tribute to an interest sucking bondocracy," should be the motto of every loyal, patriotic American citizen of our country.

In the event of war or in the preparation for such there is no need of bonds of any kind.

Greenbacks saved us as a united country in the last war, and the same kind of money will answer every purpose in the future—a matter that cannot be too forcibly emphasized at the very start.—Sound Money.

ROYAL Baking Powder.
Highest of all in leavening strength.—U. S. Government Report.

## GOVERNMENT OWNERSHIP.

**Convincing Argument In the Experience of England With the Telegraph.**

As taxes upon the diffusion of intelligence among men and deficiencies in the postal service affect every one I condense the following from the official report on the workings of the government telegraph in England made to our government by the United States consul at Southampton, England, and printed in the last number of the "Consular Reports." He says:

On Jan. 29, 1870, all the telegraphs in the United Kingdom were acquired by the government from the corporations which had previously operated them and thenceforward became an integral part of the postoffice. The English people owed this great measure in their interest, like so many others, to Mr. Gladstone, who bore down all opposition from the companies, who were making big profits. Till then the districts paying best had ample service, though at high rates (as is still the case with us), while whole sections of the lines of rail were destitute of telegraphic facilities. The government at once extended the telegraph to all sections and reduced the rate to 1 cent a word. The following is the result:

In 1870 under private ownership 7,000,000 individual messages and 22,000,000 words of press dispatches were annually sent. Now that the telegraph is operated by the postoffice the annual number of individual messages sent is 70,000,000 (ten times as many), and 600,000,000 words of press dispatches (30 times as many) are used. This at a glance demonstrates the overwhelming benefit to the public of the change and their appreciation of it.

The press rates have been reduced so low that every country paper can afford to print the latest telegraphic dispatches as it goes to press, and a telegraph and telephone are at every country postoffice. In London the telegraph has largely superseded the mail for all the small and necessary details of life—to announce that you are going to dine at a certain house or to inform your wife that you are detained on business and not to keep dinner waiting and the like—over 300,000 telegrams being sent daily in that city alone.

The following is quoted from the consul verbatim:

The service is performed with the most perfect punctuality. It is calculated that the average time employed today in the transmission of a telegram between two commercial cities in England varies from seven to nine minutes, while in 1870 (under private ownership) two or three hours were necessary. The rate of 1 cent a word includes delivery in city and within a mile of the country office. Beyond this limit the charge is 12 cents a mile for delivery of messages.

The average telegraph rate in this country, by the reports to congress, are 81 cents per message—three times the average rate in all countries under postoffice telegraph service, and experts say that our government could probably afford, with the vast increase of business, a uniform rate of 5 cents, as the average cost of a message is about 3 cents. According to experts, the telegraph plants now in use in the United States could be superseded by the government with a superior plant at $12,000,000, while present corporations are strangling commerce to earn heavy dividends on a watered stock of over $150,000,000—Peninsula Farmer.

### The Freight Train Has Arrived.

In the seven states from which Populist returns have been received their vote is 170,355, against 140,679 in the last corresponding elections and 147,034 for president in 1892. This is a better showing than expected. It should be remembered that there was a very material falling off in the vote, even the Republicans losing votes in spite of their victory. If this is remembered, it will be recognized at once that the Populists, although they have elected fewer of their candidates than heretofore, are stronger than ever in the important matter of votes.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

### Get Ready For 1896.

Next year the reformers of the country should mass their forces and combine on a man who could and would carry Ithuriel's spear and force the candidates of the old parties to unmask themselves before the people. The real meaning of this social battle must be brought out if possible next year.—Progressive Age.

### A Leading Boston Journal's Criticism of Secretary Carlisle's Utterances.

The following is taken from an editorial in the Boston Courier devoted to one of Secretary Carlisle's New York chamber of commerce speeches:

The slogan set up by Mr. Carlisle to divert attention from the ugly but vital fact that for the past two years the expenses of the government have exceeded its income is that "the government must go out of the banking business." Very well, if that means that the government shall issue no more notes payable on demand for use as money, then it certainly cannot by parity of reasoning secure the promises to pay of thousands of banks scattered all over the country by its own promises to pay instead in an exigency. If the former can be called going into the banking business, much more may the latter be so called. But the mere issue of promises to pay by the government to be used as money is not banking in any rightful sense. It was never so thought of when greenbacks first made their appearance and never, in fact, until this combined manifestation of a purpose to get them out of the way for another scheme. A treasury note of the United States ought by this time to be held as good for actual money as the Bank of England notes the world over or the notes of the Bank of France, not to speak of the issues of the other European governments. The issues of legal tender are just as much money as is the coining of metallic money. It is the government promise and certification printed on the one and stamped on the other that give to each their distinctive value as money. So that this attempted raid on the sovereignty of the government over the issue of money will not work out its design according to the original plan. A secretary of the treasury is expected to know better than to say that "the proposition that a promise of the government to pay money is money is as absurd as the proposition that the promise to deliver a horse is a horse." The applause that greeted such an assertion is no flattery to the intelligence of the audience bestowing it.

## WE ARE FAR BEHIND.

WE SHOULD HAVE GOVERNMENT BANKS AND TELEGRAPH SERVICE.

**Money Should Not Be Under Control of Private Banking Combinations—Note the Countries That Have Private Ownership of Telegraph.**

Money is the blood of commerce; values and obligations are expressed in it; therefore, it should have special safeguards thrown around it. It should not be subject to control or manipulation by private parties or combinations. The reasons are obvious—they have been painfully obvious during the past two years. The banks have contracted credit, refused payment of currency, and collapsed entirely in many cases, to the great loss of depositors; while speculators have raided the treasury for gold and the government has increased the interest bearing indebtedness for more gold.

If we had government banks all over the country, the deposits of the people would be a source of financial strength to the treasury instead of to the banks. The New York banks were burdened by an enormous surplus while the treasury was depleted. Isn't it strange how things are allowed to go? Yet we are to blame if we don't try to change the laws. We vote for party, and those that we elect are busy keeping themselves and their friends in office, and so between the two—we, the electors, and they, the elected—the principles and science of government are scarcely thought of. It is little wonder that things get into such a tangle and schemers can get such advantages.

Every advanced civilized country except ours has government savings banks. Such an arrangement is at once a strength to the government and a security to the savings of the people, but we haven't got it. We spend too much time pulling the eagle's tail and boasting of the "greatest country the sun shines on"—the government of which is falling so far behind that of other civilized countries.

Postmaster General Wanamaker worked hard during his term for postal savings banks, but congress was too busy with politics and had neither time, disposition nor ability for statesmanship, or shall we conclude that the banking interests had control of congress? Lobbyists know well how to smother or cripple bills in committee. That is generally easier than defeating a bill on the floor.

Private or corporation telegraphs exist only in the following countries: Bolivia, Cyprus, Honduras, Cuba, Hawaii and the United States. All the rest of the civilized world has government telegraph. Even in Egypt, a few years ago, I sent a telegram from a station pretty well up the Nile to Cairo for less than 10 cents. It was transmitted and delivered with military faithfulness and promptness. We can't have such service in this country, because concentrated capital, with its large income, watered stock and immense profits, must be protected regardless of the interests of the people.

They do it by using newspapers that depend on the telegraph company for news, and by giving free telegraph privileges lavishly to congressmen, and by no end of other little arts well known to them. The average congressman seems surprisingly susceptible to these arts. Astonishing, isn't it? When shall we have a change? For 20 years or more the postoffice department has been asking that the telegraph service of the country be taken by the government and made a part of the postal system. Postmaster General Wanamaker worked as hard for this as for the postal savings banks all during his term (see his reports), but all to no purpose, for he was not sustained by congress, nor by a vigorous public sentiment. Tell everybody you know how far behind the rest of the world we are in this respect and let us determine to demand a change. People frequently need the telegraph service to summon physicians. Let us have the cheapest and the best. Have we not paid tribute to private monopoly long enough? Now let us have it at cost, like the postal service.—Dr. C. F. Taylor.

### What Is Money?

"Money is the fiat of the government, and when impressed upon some material it becomes legal tender. The fiat is the soul that vitalizes or gives the money quality to gold, silver, paper, leather or to any material upon which it is impressed. As only the government has fiat power, all money must proceed from the government, and when it uses that power in the interest of private corporations, it violates its obligation to the people. Money has representative value, and being used in exchange for property, its volume should increase or diminish in the same ratio that property increases or diminishes.—S. E. V. Emery.

### Spreading the Light.

Only recently two Populists of Fillmore county, Minn., subscribed for 600 copies of Ignatius Donnelly's paper, The Representative of Minneapolis, for next year, and now comes a Populist committee in St. Paul with a movement on foot to subscribe for 5,000 copies of that paper, to be given away until the election in 1896, and a similar movement is on foot in Minneapolis. My, my, my! If the people all over the country would get this kind of a move on them, would not the old party fur fly in 1896?—Sound Money.

### Populist Gains In Kansas.

As the full returns come in it is seen that the Populists made surprising gains in the local elections in Kansas, securing signal victories in former Republican strongholds. A dozen or more counties that were carried by the opposition last year went Populist at the late election by large majorities. The Populist leaders say the state is safe for next year. Hon. George Morgan, the well known Republican, has joined the populists.—Commonwealth.

The Santa Fe railway system—10,000 miles of track, 2,000 locomotives, thousands of cars of all kinds, buildings, rights and franchises considered to be the value of $350,000,000—was sold at chancery sale at Topeka, on the 10th inst., for $60,000,000, or only a little more than one-sixth of its estimated value. This was a game in which the big fish ate up the little ones.—Sound Money.

Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

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## POPULISTS AND PATRIOTISM.

**Senator Allen's Pointed Remarks During the Discussion of the Monroe Doctrine.**

In referring to a speech made in support of the Monroe doctrine by Mr. Cullom of Illinois, Senator Allen said in the senate:

It has been said in this chamber and out of it that the Populistic party was a local organization, that it dealt simply with certain international grievances that it was composed of a class of people who had no conception of government beyond their own immediate and pressing demands. I desire to correct that opinion, if I can do so, by saying that in my judgment the Populist party is as thoroughly committed to the Monroe doctrine as either the Democratic or Republican party.

I was delighted yesterday to listen to the eloquent speech of my friend from Illinois, Mr. Cullom, in which he said America should be for Americans, but I did not hear the senator say anything about the millions and billions of English capital that have been brought into this country. I did not hear him refer to the fact that English money had purchased our great flouring mills, our great railway systems, our breweries, our stockyards and the great majority of the important industries of this country.

I did not hear the distinguished and brilliant senator from Illinois yesterday discuss the question of seeming partnership existing between the Democratic and Republican parties in this country and the money lords of Lombard street and of the east.

If it's important for us to watch the British flag when it is placed indiscriminately upon the islands of the sea, does it not occur to my distinguished friend that it would be important for us to watch the financial partnership existing between certain financiers and statesmen of England and other foreign countries and certain financiers and political parties in this country?

We realize that Great Britain is in our midst not with her armies and her navies, not perhaps with her flag, but she is here for the purpose of dethroning American institutions.

She is here for the purpose of Anglicizing these states and this country and controlling the policy of our nation and the policy of our government in every branch and department. It has become a popular thing now for an American citizen to become an English lord or the lord of some other country, and I do not know that it would be improper for me to refer to the spirit of madness which seems to exist in this country by which even American women are perfectly willing to waste themselves upon foreign mendicants. It seems to me these subjects should have attracted the attention of the senator from Illinois.

### The Growth of Trusts.

In addition to all the other trusts formed and being formed, there is one in tobacco. These organizations will continue, doubtless, until their power becomes so great and their influence so oppressive and exacting in their demands upon the labors and liberties of the people that governmental control or ownership of all these vast concerns will be a necessity. At least the tendencies of the times along these lines indicate the confirmation or the demands of the alliance by this slow but certain process of evolution now going on in this country.

One great trust paves the way and makes necessary another, until railroads will be made one, banks in the same organized condition, and every important branch of industry thoroughly organized and controlled by one central head.

This process of evolution slowly but surely makes way for the centralizing and focalizing under very few different managements of the varied interests of this great country.

These forces will continue their centralizing powers until the people, by the very force of circumstances, will be obliged, through the power of the general government, to take charge and control these powerful organizations of this country.

Thus railroads, banks, telegraph, telephone and all these centralized organizations will be forced under governmental control.

What revolutions, political and otherwise, will have occurred in the meantime, no one can tell. The closing years of the nineteenth century are fraught with ominous, portentous forebodings for the bettering or making worse the conditions of mankind generally. Which? Time alone will reveal.—Cotton Plant.

### Causes of "Hard Times."

Instead of there being three leading causes of the "recent period of hard times," there is but one leading cause, and that—avarice—is only a coarse, unsympathetic manifestation of selfishness, an inherent attribute of human nature.

However, as in our weak way we are accustomed to speak of things, I will mention three great facts out of which, or through the operation of which, though they are effects, have come the "hard times:"

First.—Private monopoly of the great and essential means and agencies of subsistence and comfort, as of land, fuel, food, commerce, transportation, money, etc.

Second.—Displacement of labor by the use of machinery.

Third.—Unequal competition, resulting from combinations of men and means—the strong crowding out of the weak.—Senator Peffer in New York Voice.

## RUNS UP THE POPULIST BANNER.

**The Utah Democrat Gives Convincing Reason For Such a Course.**

The proposed silver party promises nothing but free silver. They have no organization; they have no press save a few sheets that have sprung up in Utah. These obstacles are all overcome in the People's Party. They have an organization, national and most perfect, with more than 2,000,000 voters at the 1894 election. They have an army of over 5,000 newspapers that are valiantly fighting (every one of them) for free silver and other much needed reforms. Besides this, the party is fast growing. While in every state that held an election this fall the total vote was from 10 per cent to 20 per cent less than the congressional election of 1894, still the People's Party made clear gains in every state. They gained in Nebraska 7,000 votes, in Iowa 20,000 votes, in Ohio 5,000 votes, in Kentucky 13,000 votes, in Kansas we have not the total vote, but they gained 24 county officers; in the city of Denver alone they gained 7,000 votes, and in Utah they gained more than 1,000 votes. Looking things squarely in the face, we believe it better policy to be able to be a part of the great young party of the nation than to simply be a tail to the People's Party kite. That is all the silver party could hope to be—as after the People's Party have held their convention it would be suicidal for a silver party to put a ticket in the field in opposition to them. It would be the very thing the Republican party would want to see done.

Farther than this, the People's Party deals with the railroad question and the land monopoly question. Surely both of these questions are vital questions for Utah. We are being most unmercifully fleeced in this valley in the matter of freight rates, and land monopolies are fast gobbling up the public domain, and our small farms are fast passing into the hands of the usurer. After looking at these questions from every side we have concluded to unfurl the People's Party banner, nail to our masthead, Finance, Transportation, Land, Free Silver and Death to Interest Bearing Bonds, and abide by the result—Utah Democrat, Ogden.

### How Labor Is Oppressed.

Nothing has prevented or now prevents the full employment and adequate compensation of labor but the monopoly of money and unjust rates of interest.

Our producers are continually endeavoring to overcome their poverty by their industry, but while our present rates of interest prevail capital will continue to take their surplus earnings and leave them poor.

When any nation shall adopt a just monetary system, the abundant supply of comforts and the good will, peace and happiness which will ensue will form such a contrast to the present condition of society as to astonish the world.—Edward Kellogg.

Black cats, generally thought to be of extremely evil omen by the superstitions, are considered lucky visitors on New Year's day.

In Wales fires are frequently burned on Jan. 1 to purify the house for the entrance of the new year and the ashes of these fires are often kept most sacredly from year to year. They are supposed to possess special medicinal virtues, being particularly efficacious against "falling sickness" or fits.

### Juggling With Figures.

The peculiarity of the date of 1896 is its involved connection with the digit 3. As that number is regarded by those who hold superstitious belief as a proverbially lucky one, from its association with certain Biblical events, it is to be hoped that the coming annual cycle may prove this one particular theory to be true, and that Jan. 1 will usher in an auspicious season of material and financial prosperity.

The number 1896 is equally divisible by 3. So is the sum of its digits, 1 plus 8 plus 9 plus 6 (and the reverse is necessarily the same) equaling 24, which, again united, 2 plus 4, equals 6. Separating its hundreds from the tens, 18 and 96 or 81 and 69, they are still multiples of 3. The sum of the first and last digits, 1 plus 6, equals 7. Added to the two middle figures they produce 96, which is the last two units of the date, being equally divisible by 3, as is its sum, 9 plus 6, equals 15.

The centuries 18 are divisible wholly by 9, 6 and 3; the number reversed, 81, by 9 and by 3, by the product of these two numbers (9 multiplied by 3) 27, and the sum of the digits, 1 plus 8, equals 9. The sum of the first two figures in the date, represented as digits, equals the third. Eighteen plus 96 equals 114, and 96 minus 18 equals 78, over which the mystic 3 has full control, as it does over the sum of the digits in these latter numbers, 1 plus 1 plus 4 equals 6, and 7 plus 8 equals 15. And 15 minus 6 equals 9, while 15 plus 6 equals 21, the sum of whose digits, 2 plus 1, equals 3. The product of the digits in the year, 1 multiplied by 8 by 9 by 6, equals 432, a multiple of 3, and the sum of the unit figures, 4 plus 3 plus 2 is 9. Eighteen minus 9 equals 9, and 9 minus 6 equals 3.

From this can be derived the infallible rule that when the sum of the digits of any number is equally divisible by 3 the number itself is a common multiple. For instance the numbers 261 (equals 9) and 3441 (equals 12) must necessarily be equally divisible by the mysterious factor 3.—ALBERT P. SOUTHWICK.

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# THE DEMOCRAT.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 1896.

F. C Thompson, Editor & Proprietor
Walter B. Wilson, Local Editor.


### DEMOCRAT AND NEWS.

We have made arrangement to club with Dallas Semi-Weekly News which is the best newsgathering paper in the South-west and the fairest in the treatment of all political and religious sects. You can get the Twice-a-week News and THE DEMOCRAT for $1.75! Come in at once, for this will be a year of unusual interest, made so by the great political battle to be fought.

The Kearby–Abbott contest will be settled this week in congress.

THE "crank" keeps up the howl "The producer should have the produced."

The jealousy of the old parties was betrayed in their refusal to publish the vote of the populist.

THE Rocky Mountain News' New Years' edition is one of the wonders of modern journalism.

Col. Robt. Ingersoll was refused permission to lecture in Little Rock on Sunday by the officials of that city.

England and Germany are talking war against each other. The cause is about South Africa disturbances which involves territory in that worthless region.

VOTER, we know the old party leaders have deceived you with their promises. Now believe us when we say they also deceived you as regards the true principles of the populist party.

WHILE in Sherman recently we heard, from an influential source, the name of E. W. Kirkpatrick mentioned for congress. Good. No better, abler or truer man could be sent to congress.

Bartholomew Shea, of Albany, N. Y. was under sentence of death for murder. Just before the execution another prisoner confessed to the murder, which created a great sensation. A new trial will be had as the governor immediately stayed the execution.

At midnight Dec. 31 the limits of Brooklyn New York became coterminus with the county of Kings. The goverments of the two divisions were merged and the county of Kings, after an organization of 212 years, passed out of existence.

MONEY hires thousands of skilled penmen and orators to deceive the people and thereby get their votes. It influences witnesses, jurors, judges and is equally as powerful and corrupting in our legislative and executive departments. It is then, to a great extent, our sovereign. We should dethrone him.

THE Wylie Rustler prints a long article on the local campaign and winds it up with the announcement that the populists of Collin county will be loaded with candidates, intimating, as we presume, that said party is one composed mainly of office seekers. In the same article the Rustler named 43 democrats as probable candidates and we witness that he left out about that many more. When you hear a man dubbing the populists as a gang of office seekers look for a soft spot on his head.


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The Dallas populist club has been meeting every Friday night since the last election. Last Friday night a most enthusiastic meeting was held.

Many of the G. O. P. papers are just awakening to the fact that falling prices for products and labor is not accompanied by reduction of fixed salaries.

"I AM standing now just behind the curtain, and in full glow of the coming sunset. Behind are the shadows on the track, before me lies the dark valley and the river. When I mingle with its dark waters I want to cast one lingering look upon a country whose government is of the people, for the people and by the people.—L. L. Polk, July 4 1890.

The populist national executive committee meets in St. Louis on the 17th of this month and Mayor Holland is going to be in attendance with a view to bringing the national populist convention to Dallas. In speaking of the matter yesterday to Round About, his honor said: "Yes, I will leave on the 14th instant for the Mound city, to be present at the meeting of the executive committee, and I shall present Dallas, claims and advantages for all there is out, I believe we will capture the prize, too. I will have a strong delegation there with me from Texas, and we are going there to work and not to play. Be it said to the credit of other Texas cities, they are all pulling with Dallas to get this convention and pulling hard. There is not the slightest rivalry or bickering among us. Bart Moore of Waco has sent me word that he is going with us and you know Bart is a rustler from away back where the brook bifurcates. There are four strong candidates in the field for this convention—Dallas, St. Louis, Kansas City and Atlanta. But I believe we will get it, and I know it means a great deal for Dallas and for Texas."—Dallas News.

### Dallas is Safe.

Dr. G. A. Foote of McKinney is one of the oldest settlers of northern Texas, having lived in Collin county since 1846. In early life he had his share of experience in border warfare, having been for several years in the ranger service under Capt. P. Hansborough Bell, and engaged in numerous battles with the Indians on the plains of what was then the Texas frontier. That the fires of patriotism still burn with a carmine glow in this old Texan's breast is evident from the following statements he made yesterday to Round About:

"I read The News every blessed day as regularly as I take my meals. It arrives at our city by a little after 5 a. m., and is distributed in time to form an important feature to the McKinneyites, breakfast. I have been keeping up with the war outlook pretty closely and my old fellow-townsman, I. D. Newsome, and myself have made arrangements to enlist in Uncle Sam's service as soon as the war trump toots. We will go to Dallas, get a few pieces of ordnance from the Dallas Artillery company, embark on the Harvey and descend the Trinity to McComas' bluff and there take our stand for the British fleet. Whenever it ascends the river on its way to take Dallas, we intend to sink the last gunboat and drown their crews in the river. We will not allow John Bull to capture Dallas, you may rest assured. We will repel him at McComas, or die trying. Tell the Dallas people not to be uneasy, for Newsome and I are ready to march to the front as soon as the tocsin of war reverberates upon our atmosphere. —Dallas News.

### Notice to the Public.

Any erroneous reflection upon the character, standing or reputation of any persons, firm or corporation, which may appear in the columns of the News, will be gladly corrected upon its being brought to the attention of the publishers.—Dal.- Gal. News

Now, that's the fair thing. But Texas Farmer don't believe the News will do it. however, here is a test: When you puff old Cleveland or Carlisle as politically honest, Texas Farmer believes you lie knowingly, but for charity's sake will say it is "erroneous reflection." If you will keep your word now and correct, Texas Farmer will dismiss the belief that you are malicious toward the people. So tell them that Carlisle and Cleveland are virtually the agents of syndicates and national banks to rob them. This will correct many "erroneous reflections, you have made in the past.—Texas Farmer.

### HE FAVORS KEARBY.

**Hon. Buck Walton Interviewed on Politics.**

Austin, Texas., Jan. 2.—(Special .(Major W. M. Walton, who has been prominently mentioned recently for Populist nominee for govenor, was interviewed by the Gazette correspondent today on this matter. He said

"I have been quite sick. then absent, and am now very busy and have given but little attention of late to political affairs.

„The death of Judge Nugent was one of the saddest of the sad. I knew him many years. and sent my sons to him when he taught school in this city. A warm friendship grew up between us quickly. and cotinued up to his death. He was in my office for several hours the last time he was in the city. Little I then thought he would so soon leave us. I had truly hoped to fight in the coming campaign under his leadership. as Populists nominee for governor. He, however, in person, will not be our leader, I trust the memory of his honesty, purity and truth will be an inspiration to us, and hold us to the line of exact right, in all our dealings with the people of Texas. and our entire country.

"From what I have seen and heard and feel, I have every reasons to believe, and do believe, that Colonel Kearby of Dallas will by common consent, with few, if any dissenting voices, be named as our candidate for governor. This, I think, is the logic of events, and will become the truth of the situation. He is in every way worthy, and has the confidence of the people. Don't mistake me when I say.. the people," I mean the people. The yeomanry, the bone and sinew, the producers of the country—not the office hunters, the politicians, the whipper-snappers, the party bosses and party slaves

"From the signs of the times I am not at all doubtful but what under the leadership of Colonel Kearby we will sweep the state for the populist ticket this year. All things favor us I am full of confidence. The old parties are ridden to death door by dissension, love of spoils, selfish ambition and with splendid ability to commit blunders and run into fatal follies. I am no man's partisan, but I sincerely believe that Kearby is the man for the situation and the times. He will stand head and shoulders above any man intellectually and as a patriot, the Democrats can put out, Kearby has brains, principle and love of country. So, too, have some Democrats, but they are in the kitchen of the party—their sort are not allowed at headquarters. If the Populists have the wisdom to draft Kearby into the leadership in the coming campaign, they will trample the broken, split, dispirited Democratic party under their feet. I mean politically, of course. Proper leadership and purity mean success. Without them, success is not merited and will not be achieved."—Fort Worth Gazette.

### Mississippi School House.

Mr. Pink Lee, who has been in this community for some time, has bid farewell to his many friends. We regret to lose him.

Mr. Budy Miller is erecting a dwelling on his newly bought farm.

The residence of John Wells adds very much to the appearance of our community.

Mr. and Mrs. Wade Woodall spent the night with Mr. and Mrs St. Clair.

Doc Miller has returned from Louisiana.

John Womble and wife were pleasant callers on Mr. and Mrs. St. Clair Sunday.

Jessie the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Babe Monger, is very ill.

Effie St. Clair spent Saturday night at her uncle, Jot Woodall.

E. A. Miller, who spent the holidays with friends and home folks in Tennessee, has returned.

Mrs. Bedie St. Clair spent the night with Mrs. St. Clair recently.

Messrs. Amos Womble and Jack Wells gave the school a call last week.

Little Miss Ida Little spent the holidays with relatives in McKinney and Blue Ridge.

Mr. Gloster St. Clair has moved on to his father's place.

Since the holidays have passed the school here, under the directorship of T. M. Hinsley, has increased its former number, and with a renewed interest is moving along nicely.

Mr. Wilcox has moved near Sister Grove. LILY.

## THE SECOND YEAR

**Of Its Existence Entered Upon Monday, January 6,**

**BY THE CENTRAL POPULIST CLUB WITH ZEAL AND DETERMINATION. WORK DONE. PROPITOUS FUTURE. ANNUAL ELECTION OF OFFICERS.**

The Central populist club of Collin county held its first meeting in this city, Monday of the second year of its existence. The attendance was as good as at any previous meeting which it has ever held and the significant feature of it, as of all others during last year, was the earnestness depicted in word and action of every one present to uphold and carry to ultimate victory the proud banner of political reform unfurled by the people's party. A glimpse at the personnel of this club in its deliberations should put to shame the enemies of this thrifty, political arganization who have even been guilty of casting the slur "office-seekers" at populists in Collin county. Sturdy farmers and horny-handed sons of toil only claim allegiance to the people's party which is indeed the party of the people in Collin county; and what is true of this county is equally true of every other section of the state and country. The party lash is never heard to crack over menial backs or autocratic bossism countenanced in the ranks of these true citizens and patriot producers. But each populist, like the liberty-loving fathers in our country's earlier life, is a sovereign unto himself and bows a servile knee to no man or political idol. Principle, love of home and native land is the actuating force that impels populists in all efforts to further the interests of their political party. With them party fealty is essentially secondary to principles.

That the above body was composed of such men was clearly demonstrated to all in the simple, business-like manner of procedure which characterized the meeting. Intervening circumstances preventing chairman E. C. Forbes' attendance, the secretary-treasurer called the body to order and Kent K. Kerr was made temporary chairman. After the usual preliminaries were dispensed with the secretary-treasurer read his annual report which showed the club to be in a very prosperous condition and doing invaluable work for the cause of reform in Collin county.

Mr. Graves rendered the report of the finance committee, composed of himself, J. W. Gray, and John Johnson, Sr., and the same was unanimously approved.

The annual election of officers resulted in the re-election of both chairman E. C. Forbes, and secretary-treasurer Walter B. Wilson to their respective positions. K. K. Kerr was chosen vice-president and Messrs. John Doyle, E. W. Kirkpatrick and E. V. Daughetee were named as campaign committeemen for 1896.

The club changed its time of meeting from first Mondays in each quarter to 1 o'clock p. m., the first Saturdays in each month.

The finance committeemen for the various school districts in the county were retained for 1896 and urged to make good reports at each monthly meeting. The club adjourned after unanimously adopting the following resolutions upon the death of Judge Nugent by a rising vote, and with bowed heads:

Whereas, in his infinite wisdom it has pleased the Great Judge to call from his earthly labors to the courts above, our beloved leader, Judge T. L. Nugent. Therefore, be it

Resolved by the Central populist club of Collin county, that in the untimely death of Judge Nugent, the state has lost a noble citizen, the country a true and pure patriot, the judiciary an able and honored member whose ermine was spotless, his family a devoted and loving father and husband.

Resolved, that the poor and oppressed have lost a zealous friend, good government and reform a most faithful disciple and exponent—always true, brave, conscientious and modest.

Resolved, that in his life we have a model to which we can can look with feeling of joy and pride—a life upright, devout, on whose closely written pages there is neither stain nor blemish, Ending with the triumphant signal to loved ones as he crossed the dark waters "I have tried to do my duty."

Resolved, that it was of such as he that Holland thought when he broke forth in that fervent prayer: "God give us men, a time like this demands great minds, strong hearts, true faith, and ready hands. Men whom the lust of office does not kill, men whom spoils of office cannot buy, men who possess opinions and a will, men who have honor, men who will not lie, men who can stand before a demagogue and damn his treacherous flatteries without wincing. Tall men, suncrowned, who live above the fog in public duty and private thinking."

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the lamented, and also furnished to The McKinney Democrat and Southern Mercury for publication.

J. T. Branch,
F. C. Thompson,
Jno. Doyle,
} Committee.

### Hickman Items.

Hickman, Tex., Jan. 7, 1896.

We had a very fine Xmas, and several parties. Among them we mention a pound party and supper given by Mr. and Mrs. Harrick. About sundown the youngsters came pouring in with cakes, candies and fruits of every kind until it seemed that the table could not stand under its load of eatables. One hundred and eighteen took supper, after which, until midnight, was spent in plays and music to the delight of everyone prrsent. But Dr. Andrews being very awkward, got several falls while playing snap which caused considerable laughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Bailey gave the school children an entertainment resulting in a jubilant time for the little folks. Santa Claus was very profuse with Christmas presents among the children. There was not much script in our midst except Christmas day, but all were pleasant and seemed to grant every man his rights.

Bro. Webster preached his first sermon for us last Sunday week. He is an able minister of the gospel and we bespeak for this community some good revivals this year.

Prof. Peak resumed his school yesterday with good attendance.

Mrs. Franklin's house is completed and she moved yesterday.

We are sorry to note that our esteemed friend, Tom Thompson, is not expected to live but a short while, as he is in the last stage of consumption.

Allen Basker has just returned from a trip to Newport and reports a good time.

Henry Martin and daughter from Denton county are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bailey, also Miss Sallie Stroup and her brothers of Verona.

We were very sorry indeed to read of the death of T. L. Nugent but in leaving this vale of sorrow he has doubtless gone to his reward in a land that is fairer than this one.

The pops here are holding to all they get and we think the November election will seat Jerome Kearby or some other good populist governor of the glorious state of Texas.

ABSALOM.

### From Copeville.

Copeville, Tex., Jan. 5, 1896.

The old year has gone and the new year has dawned and with it comes many changes.

C. C. Bradley and wife moved out of our community to a few miles north of McKinney.

J. F. Lockhart and family have moved to Nevada where Mr. Lockhart intends to go into perusa business.

M. E. Campbell, of the firm of Campbell & Basham has sold his interest in the grocery business to his partner, J. E. Basham, who will still do business at the same old stand.

Messrs Dave and Will Jones came home from Waco, where they are attending school, to spend Christmas with their parents, J. E. Jones and wife.

We are sorry to hear of the sickness of Mrs. Amy Potters, wife of Lee Potters, and we hope for her early recovery.

J. L. Smith and family, of Nevada, visited Uncle Johnnie Cox last Sunday. We are glad to see Uncle Johnnie up and able to stir about again as he has been in feeble health for some time.

Uncle Dock Hocless and family visited Uncle John Cox to-day.

The children of old Copeville school are loud in their praise of their teacher, Prof. J. N. Robinson for a nice box of candy to each pupil off of the xmas tree.

Hoping success to THE DEMOCRAT and its many readers for the coming year. BILL.


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### A SOUTHERN BOY.

**A True Populist Who Is Ready For the Fray.**

Anna, Tex., Jan. 7, 1896.

After the lapse of quite a while the writer will let your readers know that the populists are neither dead nor sleeping. While it is very common to hear some old moss-back Clevelandized republican or Shermanized democrat say "The populist party is dead." Still the writer has the first populist to see who has ever expressed himself as dissatisfied with their party. But on the other hand I can show any one recent converts to the populist party, and can show dozens of former democrats who can not be induced to say a word about politics, showing plainly that they are thoroughly disgusted with the double dealing, fraud and deception of the present excuse for a democratic party. I speak strictly of my immediate neighborhood.

Populists all received the news of Judge Nugent's death with sad hearts, but far from being discouraged they seem to take on new courage and determination; enthused by the noble example set by our late leader, to press forward, and when the conflict is ended, they can say like Judge Nugent, "I have tried to do my duty."

In the face of every possible proof of the fraud, deception and lies of such men as Carlisle, Cleveland & Co., Still we have little two-bit newspaper politicians trying to make capital out of the utterance of some individual populist leader by misrepresenting them. Every postoffice that sells two-bits worth of gummed paper has a wild-eyed democrat ready to cry out, "The populists wants to divide the land up!" and nine times out of ten the very same fellow depends on some one else for a living and has no land, or if he had, would be too lazy to cultivate the same. Then again most every town of a few dozen inhabitants has one or more pension drawers who also call themselves pension agents, who delight in talking about the dire calamities which would come if the populists were to get in power. If such characters had to gain a livelihood by work, they would think a great calamity had overtaken them. What a pity such is not the case. And many others who draw a fixed salary, either by law or custom, such as the lawyers, doctors and a few so-called preachers of the gospel, lose no opportunity to berate the populists. What a wonder the populist party maintains an organization, to say nothing of the wonderful growth with all the capital and gas against them.

The writer wants every one to know that he doesn't believe that any intelligent person can put any reasonable or sensible construction on the Omaha platform that would mean anything like a division of land nor does he believe that any honest person will attempt such an absurdity. Every one remembers the "Twelfth plank" and the "coon" racket, which has long since been exploded and abandoned. Now, the "divide up" is the racket aimed to be howled forth from the stump and press, and is aimed to, have its effects on the ignorant and such as only read one side.

The promulgators of such devilish misrepresentations will certainly receive their reward hereafter, in the lake that burns with fire and brimstone, prepared for the special benefit of false prophets.

The writer was born and raised in the South—was taught to love and respect the ex-confederate and the "lost cause," and knows of no other country to-day that has such charms for him as does "Dixie," but thanks to what he believes to have been good judgment, his first ballot was cast for the labor party, as has each succeeding one, and at this good moment he knows he is not in any degree responsible for the chains that bind the toiling masses in slavery.

Rox wishes a happy New Year to all, and hopes that each lover of freedom will gird on the armor and go forth to battle for the right and not cease his warfare until corruption and vice shall be overthrown and justice coronated and placed upon the throne, then to rule until time shall be no more.

ROX.

### Cure Your Catarrh For $1.00.

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### Camp Throckmorton U. C. V. 109.

All members of the camp are requested to meet at the court house at 1 p. m. in McKinney, Jan. 18, 1896; also the committee composed of the following names W. M. Abernathy, Jot Woodall, Roland Gooch, George Bowman, J. P. Hale, Simon Lunsford, J. E. Bateman, James McLean, I. D. Sellers and S. D. Hatler.

W. A. RHEA, Commander,
R. A. McLarry, Adj't.

### Camp Throckmorton U. C. V. 109.

met at the the court house at 1 p. m., Jan. 4, 1896, W. A. Rhea in the chair. Minutes of last meeting not read.

Resolution passed to suggest a plan for raising funds for Jeff Davis monument and the memorial hall or battle abbey suggested by Mr. C. B. Rouss, also the monument to be erected at Austin, Texas, in honor of her confederate dead; and to suggest plans to the Daughters of the Confederacy that may assist them in raising funds on the first day of May, 1896 as suggested bo Gens. Gordon and Cabell.

The following named persons were appointed to report on above resolution at next meeting, Jan. 18, 1896: Capt. W. A. Rhea, R. A. McLarry, J. L. Greer, W. M. Abernathy and J. M. Pearson.

W. A. RHEA, Commander,
R. A McLarry, Adj't.

### An Old Citizen Gone.

Calvin Hatler, one of the earliest settlers of Collin county, died very suddenly, of paralysis, Saturday morning.

Shortly after 2 o'clock Friday evening Mr. Hatler went into the house from the wood yard, where he was engaged in chopping wood, to rest and immediately fell from his chair in an unconscious condition from which he never rallied, and died as above stated, early the next morning.

The deceased was a brother of S. D. Hatler and leaves a wife and large family of children, most of whom are grown and married, to mourn his sudden passing into the shadow and valley of death.

The burial took place at Melissa cemetery Sunday morning in the presence of a great concourse of sorrowing friends, with whom, THE DEMOCRAT unites in extending to the bereft relatives, sincerest condolence in this dark and trying ordeal of death.


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# CRISP LOCAL ITEMS.

**Concerning People and Home Events of Interest to All.**

L. W. Mayhew was in Dallas Sunday.

Ed Largent was in Dallas Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Warden are the parents of a fine baby girl at their house.

G. W. Keaton and A. G. Wilson, of Parker, were in McKinney Friday.

Mrs. J. G. Davis and children are spending the winter on the gulf coast.

Jim Biggs and J. F. McCreary, of Stinson, were on our streets Friday.

J. P. Crouch shipped a barrel of molasses to Bucker's orphan home, at Dallas, Saturday.

A couple of teams took fright at the minstrel parade and music Saturday and ran away. No serious damage was done.

Fred Burnett, the popular young druggist at Smith Bros., is spending a brief vacation with his parents in Honey Grove.

Walter Erwin was in the city last week.

Mrs. J. C Erwin has returned from a visit to Sherman relatives.

Miss Amy Crowder, of Lebanon, spent last week with McKinney friends.

Clint Stiff shipped two carloads of beef cattle to northern markets Monday.

City candidates should put their announcements in The Democat at once.

Blood and nerves are closely related. Keep the blood pure with Hood's Sarsaparilla and you will not be nervous.

Gerard Foote, Harry White and J. N. Crutcher returned to Ad-Ran college Monday.

Miss Mai Allen visited in Anna last week.

Jim Bibee, of Farmersville, was here Tuesday,

Miss Laura Carrington has returned from Pilot Point.

Miss Margie A Fulenwider has gone to St. Louis where she will spend her usual vacation.

G. W. Cloer, of Culleoka, is one of The Democrat's newest readers.

Mrs. W. D. Davis has been on the sick list this week.

Bob Chambers and Miss Josie Davis spent Sunday with relatives at Rhea's Mill.

J. W. St Clair and W. A. Moyers, two Blue Ridge merchants, went to Dallas Monday on business.

The county commissioners' court is in session.

Candidates of all parties can find room in The Democrat for announcements.

M. B. Williams was in to see us today

Mr. and Mrs. Lem E. Oldham leave to-day on a visit to relatives in Mississippi.

Mrs. J. L. Franklin spent part of last week with relatives near Plano

Representative and Mrs. J. L. Greer visited a sick brother in Van Alstyne last week.

Miss Grace Walter visited Miss Beulah McCauley in Plano last week.

Col. and Mrs. Stillwell H. Russel, of Dallas were here Saturday.

Miss Eula Plemmons came up from Plano for a brief visit to her parents in this city last week,

Prof. J. R. Hendrix, of Plano, attended the Southern Teachers' association at Hot Springs last week,

Martin Todd and B. B. Johnson will conduct P. E. Denton's Pharmacy at Van Alstyne.

Mrs. Crowder, of Lebanon, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. John Welsh, in this city.

Miss Grace Allen, who has been the guest of McKinney friends the past few days, returned to her home in Allen last evening.

Rev. I. J. Harte, of Verona, was smiling on the streets of McKinney Monday. The recent arrival of a brand new boy at his house was probably the cause of all his smiles,

Lem E. Oldham came over from Bonham Monday, where he spent the holidays, diligently taking stock of a large dry goods establishment in which he is interested at that place.

Mrs. C. L. Hilseweck left yesterday for her home at Cale, I. T., after spending the holidays with her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Wofford, in this city.

Uncle Bob Scott informs us that he lives in Melissa now, he having traded his farm east of McKinney for like property near Mellissa.

Twenty five large mules were purchased by the county commissioners Tuesday, for road working, at an average price of $102 apiece.

We are sorry to note that our friend J. P. Dowell, is confined to his bed with sickness.

Jake Blakeman arrived in McKinney yesterday from Missouri, where he has spent several months visiting relatives.

Don't neglect to get your neighbors to take The Democrat during this campaign year.


Awarded
Highest Honors—World's Fair,

DR. PRICE'S CREAM BAKING POWDER

MOST PERFECT MADE.

A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant.

40 YEARS THE STANDARD.


Miss Johnson, of Warrensburgh, Missouri, who has been on an extended visit to Mrs. Sam Cole in this city, left Thursday to spend a few days with relatives near Millwood.

C. S. Battle, the bachelor member of the Carter-Battle Grocer company, has gone on a trip to Mississippi via New Orleans He needed to buy only one railroad ticket when he took his departure, but some of his friends predict that he will buy two when he starts to return.—Ft. Worth Gazette.

Some time ago Mr. Simon Goldbaum of San Luis Rey, Cal., was troubled with lame back and rheumatism. He used Chamberlain's Pain Balm and a prompt cure was effected. He says he has since advised many of his friends to try it and all who have done so have spoken highly of it. It is for sale by the City Drug Store.

T. B. Baldwin, traveling agent and correspondent for the Dallas News. was in the city Tuesday for the purpose of giving McKinney a write-up. Mr. Baldwin gave our office a pleasant call. He writes over the nom de plume of Dick Naylor. He is a bright, pleasant gentleman whom we are always glad to meet.

If there was anything better than best, then we'd aim for that. The BUCKSKIN BREECHES have got everything in them that best use means. We'd like to make them better still but don't know how. Maybe if you bought a pair and put them to the test, you could help improve them.

S. T. and R. A. Hammond have returned from their old home, near Wheeling, West Virginia, which they had not revisited for 20 years. They contemplated a joyous meeting with their aged father, whom they had not seen during this long period, but this pleasure was denied them. After reaching his home news came to the sons that their father, who was visiting a daughter in the same community had suddenly died of heart failure and the long absent sons were only permitted to behold their father's face, cold and expressionless in death.

Mme. Lindsey, formerly of San Francisco but recently of Gainesville, Texas, is now with Tennesssee store and will have charge of the dressmaking department. Madam Lindsey comes strongly recommended and her work speaks for itself. In order to show her ability as a modiste she will for thenext three weeks make dresses at exceptionally reasonable prices. During this three weeks the Tennessee Store will be pleased to have you call and meet Madam Lindsey. Madam Lindsey will start east in about three weeks. TENNESSEE STORE.

J. Frank Smith, of Princeton, received by telegram Tuesday the sad intelligence of the death of his sister, Mrs. Kirk, at Hearne in Southern Texas and left at once to attend her funeral. Mr. Smith has many warm friends in McKinney who deeply sympathize with him in his sad loss of a loving sister.

W.S. McDuffie of Sherman, formerly an early citizen of Collin county, is visiting in McKinney.. While passing the residence of Dr. G. A. Foote in company with The Democrat reporter he remarked to the latter that in the year 1857 he heard Gen. Sam Houston speak in that house. Dr. Foote's house was just being finished and at that time, it being the most suitable place, the speaking took place there before about 200 people, a large crowd for those days. Mr. McDuffie is 77 years old and recalls many interesting events which took place in Collin county before the war.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is famous for its cures of bad colds. It opens the secretions, relieves the lungs and aids nature in restoring the system to a healthy condition. If freely used as soon as the cold has been contracted, and before it has becomes settled in the system, it greatly lessens the severity of the attack and has often cured in a day what would have been a severe cold. For sale by the City Drug Store

A fight occurred, Tuesday, on our streeets between a man named Clark, of near Blue ridge, and George Malone Clark immediately left thereafter for home but was overtaken near the outedge of town and brought back and fined. Malone also contributed his prorata to the city.

Poisons engendered by food fermenting in a dyspeptic stomach are the direct cause of rhematism, gout, bronchitis, liver and kidney complaints asthma, pneumonia and many nervous ailments,

These results are prevented by the use of the Shaker Digestive Cordial, a remedy discovered and prepared by the Shakers of Mount Lebanon, N. Y. It is in itself a food and has power to digest other food TAKEN WITH IT. Thus it rests the diseased stomach and finally masters the worst cases of dyspepsia. It acts promptly and fresh strength and increase of weight soon follows The first dose, taken immediately after eating, abates the pain and distress so dreaded by dyspeptics. Trial bottles—enough to prove its merit—10 cents.

LAXOL is the best medicine for children. Doctors recommend it in place of Castor Oil

The many friends of Miss Ida Cummins, in this city and county, will be delighted to learn of the improved condition of her health since going to El Paso a few weeks ago. A letter from her to a friend this week states that she is rapidly recovering her former strength and good health in that salubrious climate.

### Shot In The Arm.

Wednesday evening while Cliff McDowell was examining a 38 Colt's revolver the dangerous fire arm was accidentally discharged, shooting Fred Tefteller in the arm and inflicting a painful flesh wound. Fred's close proximity to the revolver when it was discharged probably saved him from more serious injury as the ball glanced upon striking the bone, plowed upward a few inches through the flesh and imbedded itself in a brick wall after coming out. Drs. Gibson and Erwin were summoned and soon convinced both Fred and Cliff that each of them would be spared to their friends yet awhile longer.

We are glad to note that Esq. L. L. Miller has accepted a position with Neathery & Bumpas at Farmersville Mr. Miller is one of the most respected and trusted citizens of East Collin.

Miss Clark Reedy, who has been with the Racket Store during the past year, is enjoying a brief vacation with her father, Dr. Reedy's, family in Bonham.

Mrs Lizzie Parker left Thursday for her home in Warrensburgh, Missouri, after spending the holidays with her sisters, Mesdames D.C. Hill, A.J. Atkinson and Lucy Dulaney and brothers, John Fields, of Dallas, and Jim Fields, of this city.

### Orange Blossoms.

A. G. Wilson, of Parker, and Miss Minnie Branch, of Plano, were married at the former place Sunday at 3 p. m., Rev. B. L. Hunter officiating. The attendants were J. N. Wilson and Miss Ida Smith, of Floyd, and a large party of near friends and relatives witnessed the consummation of the nuptial ties. Mr. Wilson is one of The Democrat's esteemed friends and we hereby extend our heartiest congratulations to him in this important step of life and trust that he and his fair bride may tread upon none but the choicest blossoms of happiness along life's future pathway.

Clarence W. Smith and Miss Ruth Forman were wedded in Fort Worth, Wednesday evening Jan. 8. Mr. Smith is one of the firm of Smith Bros., well known druggists of McKinney, and none stand higher either in social or business circles than he, while his bride is universally loved and esteemed for her many excellent traits of char- and amiable disposition. They will be at home to their friends in McKinney Jan. 15.

Charlie Dancer and Miss Belle Wade are to be married this (Tnursday) evening at the bride's home near Celina. Rev. Gearheart will adjust the nuptial knot, after which a bounteous supper will be spread for the many guests that will be present and a merry period of enjoyment for the young people will follow. The groom is an energetic young farmer of West Collin and has many acquaintances in McKinney who congratulate him on his good fortune in winning so lovely a bride. May long life, prosperity and much happiness ever attend the matrimonial barque of this happy young couple.

We acknowledge receipt of a kind invitation to attend the wedding of Walter Kinsolving and Miss Pearl Riley of Greenwood, Texas. which took place at that city Wednesday Jan. 8. While we were not able to attend we extend our congratulations to the happy pair. The groom is one of the proprietors of the Greenwood Enterprise. He lived several years in McKinney during which time he was an able attache of The Democrat. We hope that Walter will get all the "fat takes," avoid too much "pie," quit running after the "devil," lay gently aside the "printers towel," make no more "bad impressions" and keep up a healthy "circulation." May cupid's pranks prove a blessing to both and the Enterprise be a source for wood, potatoes, butter, eggs, pumpkins, etc., is the desire of The Democrat.

### RELIGIOUS.

There will be services at the Episcopal church, morning and evening, next Sunday by the pastor R. H. Cotton.

Rev. P. M. Riley, Grand Masonic Chaplain for the state of Texas, will preach the sermon at the masonic services which will be conducted at the Cumberland Presbyterian church in this city, Sunday, Jan. 19.

Union prayer meeting is being participated in this week by the Presbyterian, Cumberland Presbyterian, Methodist and Christian congregations. Services were held Tuesday evening at the Presbyterian church; Wednesday evening at the Methodist; this evening at the Cumberland Presbyterian, and to-morrow evening they will be held at the Christian church. Services at each church were or will be conducted by its respective pastor. All are being well attended.

Rev. Crutcher delivered a most interesting sermon at the Christian church Sunday morning. He criticised some church members for their partiality against the Lord. He said that they would get up at eight o'clock on Sunday, while during the week they would get up at four or five in order to be on hand for business. In other words they thought more of their business than they did of the Lord's work. "Can they say like Peter, 'Lord thou knoweth I love thee' "? The preacher admonished his hearers to start out with the new year with better determinations, holier ambitions, love superior for Christ! (The good pastor will please pardon the writer when we call his attention to certain conditions which we think he did not take into consideration during his discourse. There are at least two distinct classes in our midst which are "early risers." First; there is a class of "money getters," moved by the spirit of "greed and selfishness," who never tire or "let up" in the race for the "root of all evil," who not only lose interest in the Lord's work but with cold and relentless hearts, divests themselves of all the better qualities of humanity—surging forward "to the low wayside Inn," leaving behind the wretched victims of poverty to haunt them in the shadows of death. Second, there is another class which we term as breadwinners. This class is also made up of "early risers." It is not the spirit of greed that moves this class. It is the spirit of vital necessity—it is devotion to loved ones—thinly clad and hungry. They have no government to grant them millions of franchises, no usury bearing notes and bonds to support them in idleness. They have been robbed of equal opportunities. The gilded and cushioned pews are foreign to their condition. The star of earthly hope is dim before them, yet let us believe that divine love burns in their hearts and, if not on this earth, may they gain due reward on some brighter shore, for "Blessed are they that mourn for they shall be comforted.")

### An Old Soldier's Recommendation.

In the late war I was a soldier in the First Maryland Volunteers, Company G. During my term of service I contracted chronic diarrhœa. Since then I have used a great amount of medicine, but when If ound any that would give me relief it would injure my stomach, until Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and diarrhœa Remedy wa brought to my notice. I used it and will say it is the only remedy that gave me permanent relief and no bad results follow I take pleasure in recommending this prepartion to all of my old comrades, who, while giving their services to their country, contracted this dreadful disease as I did, from eating unwholesome and uncooked food. Yours truly, A. E. BENDING, Harney, Oregon. For sale by the City Drug Store.

### Executive Committeemen.

Each member of the populist executive committee of Collin county is hereby called to meet in McKinney, Saturday Jan. 25, at 1 p. m., for the purpose of considering the time and place of holding the county nominating convention and appoint delegates to the state convention and other business that may be brought before the committee.

J. W. GRAY, Chairman:
E. C. FORBES, Sec.

PEOPLES PARTY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF COLLIN COUNTY.

Chairman J W Gray, Allen
Secretary E C Forbes, Plano.

| Precinct | Name | Postoffice |
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| Allen | W W Chapman | Allen |
| Melissa | J F Cave | Melissa |
| Anna | W F Price | Anna |
| Celina | A D Stelzer | Celina |
| Copeville | J Y Bowen | Copeville |
| Decatur | J H King | Murphy |
| Frankford | J H Cook | Frankford |
| Gray Bill | G P Jones | Gray Bill |
| Josephine | B F Ivy | Josephine |
| Lebanon | F M Collinsworth | Plano |
| Lick Prairie Millwood | L Nelson | Wylie |
| Nevada | E R Maxey | Nevada |
| Plano | E C Forbes | Plano |
| Pilgrim | J J Bradley | Pike |
| Rock Hill | W T Hale | McKinney |
| Rheas Mill | Chas Snyder | Rheas Mill |
| Seven Points | | |
| St Paul | S W Chapell | Wylie |
| Verona | M N Stroup | Verona |
| Valdasta | | |
| Snow Hill | L L Miller | Hickman |
| Princeton | W R Todd | Princeton |
| Weston | J E Caruth | Weston |
| Wylie | A W McDonald | Wylie |
| Blue Ridge | T A Pruitt | Blue Ridge |
| Farmersville North, R B Hickman, Hickman | | |
| Farmersville South, J Gotcher, Farmersville | | |
| McKnney North, A S Graves, Vineland | | |
| McKinney, South, G M D Williams, McKinney. | | |

### It Cured Them All.

Mr. Henry Shira, Girard, Ala., says: "Two years ago I had a severe case of Grippe and could not recover from its effects. About a year ago I tried Kings Royal Germeteur and was soon well. It also cured me of bowel trouble, which I had for four years and I find it a quick cure for headache. It cured my wife of Grippe also, and she says it is the best thing she can get for Asthma and Vertigo. I heartily recommend it as a good family medicine." New package, large bottle, 108 doses, $1. For sale by Smith Bros.

### Collin County Alliance.

The Collin County Alliance will meet Jan. 15th, 1896 with Snow Hill Alliance.

A. C. STROUP, Pres.

### To Stockmen of Texas.

This letter is to impress upon you the great importance of your attendance at the coming annual meeting of the Texas Livestock Association in San Antonio on the 14th and 15th of this month. The railroad companies will issue half-fare round-trip tickets; the good people of San Antonio are making unusual preparations for the entertainment of their visitors; an attractive program, embracing all important branches of the livestock interests, has been prepared and assigned to competent speakers, and the proceedings will terminate with an excursion to Mexico, which a large number have already signified their intention of joining.

Apart from the above inducements there are, however, stronger reasons for desiring your attendance. The cattle and sheep interests of our state are at present in a condition from which there will before long be a change either for better or worse, which it is to be, depends greatly upon legislative action. For this reason it is now of vital importance that not only stock raisers, but all who are in any manner interested in the industry should confer together and decide upon some specific action. You can readily see, therefore, how directly you are interested and the consequent importance of your attendance at this meeting. You are further kindly requested to give as much publicity as possible to this call and urge the attendance of your friends. The association wishes it understood that all are free to address the meeting, and a special invitation is tendered nonmembers to meet with us and participate in our deliberation.

Yours very truely
GEO. B. LOVING,
SECRETARY.

### M'KINNEY MARKETS.

THURSDAY MORNING, JAN. 9.

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| Cotton | 7 to 7½cts. |
| Wheat per bus | 30 to 50cts. |
| Corn " " | 18to 19cts. |
| Oats " " | 10 to 17cts. |
| Hay, baled, per ton | $4.00 to $5.00 |
| Millet hay per ton | $5.00 to $6.00 |
| Flour per cwt | $1.75 to 2.25 |
| Chops per cwt | 70cts. |
| Bran " cwt | 60cts. |
| Sweet Potatoes " " | 40 to 50 cts. |
| Butter per lb | 10 to 15cts. |
| Eggs per doz | 8 to 10cts. |
| Lard per lb | 10 to 11cts. |
| Hogs per cwt | $3.00 |
| Beef on foot per cwt | $1.80 , $2.00. |
| " dressed " lb | 5cts. |
| Dressed pork per lb | 4¼ cts. |
| Chickens per doz | $1.75 to $2.25 |
| Cotton seed per ton | $9.00. |
| Turkies | 30 to 50 cts. |

### A WRECK.

A head-end collision of a serious nature occurred Monday morning a few miles north of Denison, which wrecked a train of 20 carloads of cattle owned by D C Hill and the McKinney Cotton Seed Oil company. About 20 head of cattle were killed and a number more crippled. Several McKinney parties were in the wreck, but we haven't learned who any of them were except Jesse Atkinson none of them were hurt, however. The only casualty was seriously injuring a tramp, who it is reported will die. The train was bound for Chicago and was pulled by two engines and the collision was the result of a train dispatcher's carelessness.

### Collin County Republicans.

Soon there will be a county convention called at McKinney for the purpose of sending delegates to a congressional and a state republican convention, which conventions will elect delegates to attend the national republican convention that meets at St. Louis, June 16, 1896. There will be two congressional and two state conventions for the same purpose. The so-called regulars with Mr. Grant at the head, and the reform party of Texas with Hon. L. B. Goodell of Fort Worth as chairman. To which of these conventions will you send delegates? Below I offer a set of resolutions for you to ponder over and come to the convention with your minds made up to either adopt them in spirit or reject, viz:

Whereas, for many years in Texas, the republican party and its conventions have been controlled by office seekers; and the conventions of the party have been so shameful and disgraceful that good republicans year by year have dropped out of rank, causing a decrease in the voting strength of the party, and

Whereas, under the call of the chairman of the executive committee for a state convention it has been possible to elect as delegates two to six times as many as any county was entitled to at the state convention and allow crowds of 50 and 100 in some instances to represent one county, and

Whereas, it has heretofore been thought that every negro was a republican and whereas the census of the state gives the colored voter one hundred and one thousand votes, and

Whereas, the entire vote for Judge Makenson for governor was but 57,000 votes, and

Whereas, the counties in the state having the largest negro population gave the largest democratic majority; therefore,

Resolved, that we believe that the negro race should only have representation at our county and state conventions according to their population and ought not to be allowed to dominate a republican convention.

Resolved, that the census plan of organization of representation according to population as adopted by the reform republican party of Texas is right and just, and we hereby adopted the same and send our delegates to the reform republican convention both state and congressional.

A REPUBLICAN.

Buy the Kingsbury piano.

### FROM PRINCETON.

**Interesting Items Concerning Her People.—School.—Divine Services.—A Minstrel Troup.**

Jan. 6, 1896.

Farmers are busy preparing their lands for the plow.

School opened Monday with an increased attendance, fifteen new pupils being enrolled, making a total of something near sixty. The school house is furnished with good desks, maps, charts, globes and other apparatns, and while the teaching is under the able management of Mr. Doyle, we feel safe in saying this is one of the best district schools in the county.

Many changes took place among the citizens of the different communities Jan. 1. The following is a partial list among our good people: A. C. Cage and his estimable family moved Monday to Whites Grove neighborhood. John A. Ragle will occupy the house vacated by Mr. Cage. S. H. Smith and family who have been with their brother-in-law, G. T. Watkins, for two months left Monday for Melissa where they will reside for this year. John F. Smith has moved from near Farmersville to A. J. S. Johnson's farm, two miles south of Princeton. Mrs. Osborne and daughters are pleasantly situated near Milligan. Rev. J. B. Wellman occupies the Mrs. Mead homestead. R. B. Hogan and family are domiciled three miles northeast of Princeton. Tom Cates moved to the suburbs of McKinney. John Boorman lives on the Coffey farm. T. J. Grounds and family have become residents of Princeton. R. B. Moorhead and family arrived from Farmersville Thursday and will make their home four miles southwest of Princeton. Joe W. Godwin and bride are housekeeping in the old McCollum home. Rev. D. W. Garvin occupies one of Mr. Hausman's rent houses. W. M. Bruner and family are located on the Waddill place.

John Sparger of Bonham was in Princeton Tuesday, looking after land interest near Bethany.

John Dugger returned Sunday from Denton county.

The new school house in Bethany (Back-bone) community is about completed and will be ready for occupancy by Jan. 13.

Soon the candidate will put on a full head of animation and tell the people of his eminent qualities as a citizen, his claims as a patriot, and his qualifications as the custodian of some important trust.

A pleasant entertainment was given at the residence of Mr. Tom Foreman Tuesday night. This was the last of a series of holiday festivities among the young people.

Mrs. W. R. Todd has been dangerously ill with pneumonia for several weeks.

Princeton can henceforth be noted as the birth place of a minstrel organization! Messrs. Eugene Efird, John W. Bradley and Dan Efird are the stars. Their bills read, "The greatest trio of America's minstrel talent joined together for this reason only." Their first performance was billed to be given at the school house Thursday night Dec. 2; but an audience sufficient to justify the entertainment did not materialize. They will go on the road regularly next week.

G. D. Lowe gathered from thirteen acres twelve bales of cotton last season.

Lon Wetsel spent the holidays with his children in Brown county.

Mrs. John McKinney, Jr., of McKinney is visiting her father, J. W. Morrow at Culleoka.

John H Smith returned Thursday from a week's visit to relatives in Eastern Texas, accompanied by his niece, Miss Carrie Smith, who will remain several weeks.

Notwithstanding the extreme cold a fairly good audience greeted Bro. Joel S. Graves at the school house Saturday night and were spiritually benefitted and strengthened by his touching appeal for holier living. His delineation of a careless, half God-serving life about to end, caused the unthoughted to start and tremble and resolve for the better. Rev. Powers of McKinney occupied the pulpit Sunday at 11 preaching an excellent sermon from Matthew 6:33 "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things shall be added into you." Very forcibly was his subject impressed upon the minds and hearts of his hearers.

Bro. Graves was accompanied to his appointment by Rev. Barny Lewis, representing the Boys' Industrial school at Dallas. Bro. Lewis' pleasing, affable manner won the admiration and esteem of all who formed his acquaintance, and we say come again, welcome.

Dr. Boorman and niece, Miss Mollie Boorman, have returned from Tennessee.

HPESOJ.


**Secret of Beauty**

is health. The secret of health is the power to digest and assimilate a proper quanity of food. This can never be done when the liver does not act it's part.

**Do you know this?**

Tutt's Liver Pills are an absolute cure for sick headache, dyspepsia, sour stomach, malaria, constipation, torpid liver, piles, jaundice, bilious fever, biliousness and kindred diseases.

**Tutt's Liver Pills**


### Piles! Piles! Itching Piles.

Symtoms—Moisture; intense itching and stinging; most at night; worse by scratching. If allowed to continue tumors form, which often bleed and ulcerate, becoming very sore. Dr. Swayne's Ointment stops the itching and bleeding, heals ulceration, and in most cases removes the tumors. At druggist, or by mail, for 50 cts. Dr. Swayne & Son Philadelphia.

### Engleman Items.

Jan. 5, 1896.

Rev. Johnston of Arkansas was introduced to the Christian congregation at Forest Grove Sunday by Mr. McKinney. Mr. Johnston moved to Collin county with his family, intending to reside here permanently. He comes well recommended, holding good credentials from some of the best localities in two states. He preached a very able and punctilious sermon; and it is to be hoped that the Christian people of this community will endeavor to keep this able man among them.

Miss Spurgeon of Wetsel spent Sunday at Forest Grove.

Newton Diehl is confined to his bed with muscular rheumatism.

The first spelling school at Forrest Grove opened last Saturday night under the direction of Miss Gabrielle Coffey, assisted by Miss Ruth Sneed and proved a grand success. As a spelling school is a very instructive pastime for old and young. Next Saturday's attendance should be larger as every one is welcome to come, to behave themselves and to spell.

Sunday school under the direction of Mr. John Coffey shows a large attendance and increased membership for the new year.

FARMER BOY.


**Chamberlain's Eye and Skin Ointment**

Is unequalled for Eczema, Tetter, Salt-Rheum, Scald Head, Sore Nipples, Chapped Hands, Itching Piles, Burns, Frost Bites. Chronic Sore Eyes and Granulated Eye Lids. For sale by druggists at 25 cents per box.

**TO HORSE OWNERS.**

For putting a horse in a fine healthy condition try Dr. Cady's Condition Powders. They tone up the system, aid digestion, cure loss of appetite, relieve constipation, correct kidney disorders and destroy worms, giving new life to an old or over-worked horse. 25 cents per package. For sale by druggists.


### DEATHS.

Ollie May, the little baby girl of Mr. and Mrs. John T. Moten, died at Roxton, Texas, Dec. 30. The Democrat sorrows with the heart-broken parents, who once resided in McKinney, in the loss of their precious little jewel.


If you want a good cigar 5 for 10 cents
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Go to Smith Bros. The leading Druggists.


The crime record as reported in the daily papers is large indeed. Suicides are especially numerous. THE DEMOCRAT has no desire to spread before its readers a detailed account of the many horrible atrocities.


When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.


### Cooper on Money In 1876.

The government should issue all the currency that is used by the people, whether it be gold, silver or paper, and it should be made a legal tender for all debts, public and private.

All surplus currency now in the treasury should be used to cancel bonds and thus stop interest on the same.

Government paper money should be substituted for national bank notes.

The government should give the same volume of money with which to pay debts that was in circulation when those debts were contracted.

The increase in the established volume of the currency should be put in circulation by employing labor on public works or used to cancel the public debt, whereby all the people are benefited, instead of giving it to bankers to loan to the people at high rates of interest and to increase the public debt as is now being done.—Peter Cooper.


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Violins, Guitars, Banjos, Mandolins, Accordeons, Harmonicas, Music Boxes, Strings, etc., etc.
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# BUSINESS BARGAINS.

**In This Column will be Found Items of Interest to Those who Would Save Money.**

Buy the Kingsbury piano.

Wonders of the age at the Nickel store—call and see for yourself.

A full line of pipes at Smith Bros. The leading Druggists.

Grand rush to Denton's Pharmacy Fall in; keep step with the crowd.

Take your produce to W.D. Goostree's for the best market prices.

The famous Nickel Store's popularity increases with age.

Large and small window glass—all sizes—at City Drug Store.

Most popular establishment in McKinney—Denton's Pharmacy.

Now is the time for chapped hands and lips, for a remedy go to Smith Bros. The leading Druggists.

Come to this office and leave your order for the New York World Almanac. Price only 25cts.

Beautiful Japanese gold fish at the Nickel Store—see them.

Largest and most complete stock of wall paper, paints, varnishes and glass in North Texas at City Drug Store.

M. B. Rexrode will sell you a Chicago Cottage organ, the most popular organ in the South-West, on time to suit purchaser. Discount for cash.

Elephants, Japanese gold fish, Polly and Uncle Ed are the attractions at the Nickel Store.

Did you ever try our extracts of lemon and vanilla, they are our own manufacture and are absolutely pure? Smith Bros, The leading Druggists.

My stock of groceries is complete and fresh. My prices cannot be beaten Give me a trial.—W. D. Goostree.

Just received, fifty new styles of visiting tablets and have envelopes to match. Smith Bros. The leading Druggists.

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ABERDEEN, O., July 21, 1891.
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## A Trip to Atlanta.

The men who produced the Atlanta Exposition deserve all praise. Except in extent it much resembles the World's Fair at Chicago.

If Texas, in her approaching semi-centennial exposition, desires to excel or approach this great collection, she must move as she has never moved before. Let Dallas call and loyal Texans will respond.

Mr. Dexter, with the car of Texas products did good work in the Exposition. California appeared to excel in horticultural display.

Hortuiculture was not as prominent at Atlanta as at the New Orleans Expositions, Farm productions are depressed everywhere. Insects, disease, flood, drouth, wind, hail, frost, fictitious futures, high rates of freight, taxes, interest, and all fixed charges as compared with prices of farm products has done the work,

In passing through fifteen states of the Mississippi basin more than half of the farm homes near the railroads on which I traveled were without fruit trees, and the orchards of nine-tenths of the remainder consisted of a few straggling, half dead trees standing in weeds and grass and exposed to stock. A well kept orchard with healthy, vigorous trees was seldom seen in traveling a thousand miles. As a rule, farm houses are dilapidated, and decay and poverty are depicted upon fenses and all agricultural appliances. Since man has swept Nature's beatiful forests away, the unchecked flood is carrying the fertile soil of a thousand hills to the sea. While agriculture languishes the centers of commerce, transportation, and trade triumph. The cities tower in beauty and splendor. Piers of granite, columns of steel and marble, domes of glass and copper cover stores of unparralled wealth. This is the day of agricultural despair. The patient farmer stands mute under a burden of utter hopelessness. He not only feeds the world, but by a system of schedules, taxes and fixed charges he pays all the bills. He makes no strikes, lockouts nor boycotts. He works with his hands and finds himself burdened with surplus products. The other fellow works with his mind and finds himself equipped with schemes. With these schemes he gets the produce for less than its value and sells or uses it at a profit. Had the farmers of this country sold their surplus at a fair profit they would have absorbed all the gold, silver and diamonds on earth. They would have held more power and influence than all the kings of commerce. The law and the profits hang on the word price. If we receive a price above cost of production, we prosper; if below cost of production, we decay. The elaboration of this important fact never appeared in a state paper. Double the price paid the workers, and reduce by half the charges against them, and national prosperity would ensue.—E. W. Kirkpatrick, in Farm and Ranch.

## Sister Grove Correspondence.

Jan. 4, 1896.

Another Christmas has passed over and Sister Grove still exists. The people have resumed their occupation,

School opened Monday with several new names added to the roll.

Miss Laura Horton of McKinney is visiting her parents at this place.

On Thursday last H. C. Wright gave a cotton picking and that night he gave a ball which everybody seemed to enjoy.

Mr. Tom Howell and Misses Lizzie and Jennie Howell of Van Zandt county spent the latter part of Christmas week with Mr. Horton's family.

On New Year's day Miss Belle Horton and Mr. Monroe Lafevers were united in the holy bonds of matrimony, Rev. Shipman officiating. After the ceremony the happy couple repaired to their little mansion and prepared their own wedding dinner.

EUREKA.


**Children Cry for Pitcher's Castoria.**


## The World Wants It All.

New York, Jan. 2.—The World this morning will publish an editorial in which it offers to take $100,000,000 of bonds on a 3 per cent basis, in case the deal is not made with the syndicate. The editorial is addressed directly to President Cleveland, and says the people of this country will take the bonds at 3 per cent if given the opportunity.

## They Are The Breastworks.

"Texas Sandwich suggests using the pops for breastworks in case of war."

Why, bless your simple soul, did you not know that the pops were not only the breastworks, but the bulwark of American liberty and the defenders and protectors of republican institutions? Look over the gray haired veterans in the populist ranks and you will not find one skulking coward that hired a substitute during the late war, nor that hid themselves in bomb proofs, or swore that they were not able for military duty. The men who fight the battles, win the victories, defend the homes and sacred institutions of the country and whose valor leaves its impress upon the hearts of all lovers of patriotism and admirers of chivalry are to be found in the ranks of what goldbug papers call the "common herd." But Texas Sandwich can rest assured that no democrats will be permitted to hide behind these breastworks, and if found skulking or carrying news to their English goldbug allies will be shot as traitors.—Corsicana Truth

## Shyster Lawyers.

"In the business of subverting the liberties of our beloved country, I do not dread the soldier with his rifle, nor the conspirator with his mask, nor the fool, lunatic nor demagogue, nor the king with his regalia, nor the cleric with his tongue, nor the editor with his quill, nor satan with his horns, nor yet the millionaire with his millions, if they have but a fair field. The man to be dreaded in this republic is the shystering lawyer; legal machination is the thing of menace and danger. It is in this country especially that the people need to be on the alert against legal quibbles; here they swarm as they do nowhere else on the globe, not only in the courts, but in the legislatures and their lobbies, and every place of power and greatness."—Lincoln.

## Real Estate Transfers.

Deeds and releases filed with the county clerk since our last report, compiled by A. C. Wilmeth

E M Brook and wife to J A Furr, 100 a, $2200.

Jeptha J Hockley and wife to Samuel Looper, 30 a, $600.

Harriett Wilson to Tollie Smith, lots, $35.

J H Jenkins and wife to Frank Smith, lots, $150.

S H Abbott to James Wells 10 a, $500.

R F Hedgecoxe to J P Crouch, $75.

E W Terry and wife to W P West, 51 a, $2,072.

John C Price and wife to Belton L Lough, 14 a, $140.

J B Boggess and wife to Charles E Hood, 52 a, $500.

T H Jones to Eda Plummer, $700.

Mrs Niey Herring et al to D B Reed, 49½ a, $1290.

J H Stanford and wife to W F Moore, $80.

M E Andrews and wife to G F Edens, 53, $900.

J T Watkins and wife to N L Talkington, 215 a, $1500.

J C Stone to D D Kemper, 10¼ a, $100.

J E Ford and wife to D D Kemper, 23 a, $600.

H N Keller and wife to Miles Newsley, 15 a, $100.

John H Knight to John T Knight, 1 a, $500.

N T Hicks to S T Hicks, lot, $500.

A W Hooper and wife to I A Bailey, ½ a, $10.

C F Hayes to I A Bailey, 1½ a, $45.

W H Brummett and wife to Sarah E Harless, 80 a, $300.

R A Brummett to Sarah E Harless, 85 a, $2000.

J J Tollison and wife to J S Cotton, 2½ a, $725.

Prompt personal attention to suits in any court in the county or state; houses rented and looked after; Taxes paid. Terms reasonable. We solicit a share of your patronage. A. C. Wilmeth.

## Engleman Notes.

Candidates for the various offices are plentiful in this neck of the woods.

We learn that Taylor Coffey is anxious to serve his district as commissioner. Joe Kirby would like to serve the community as constable.

Wm. Petway, Squire Hunter and Simpson Moore dressed eleven fine hogs yesterday weighing 350 pounds each.

An elegant repast was served at the residence of W. D. Kirby Sunday last, Relatives and a host of friends were made happy, and the motherly kindness of Mrs. Kirby increased the sunshine.

John Snider announces his intention of becoming a subscriber of the Democrat.

FARMER BOY.

## General News.

Three men were killed in an explosion in St. Louis on the 2nd inst.

Six people were cremated in a burning residence in Columbus, O., on the 2nd inst.

F. Kretzlin a Brenham, Tex., business man, hung himself Wednesday of last week.

Supt. J. E. Carlisle has been elected vice president of the Southern Teachers' association.

At Pittsburg, Pa., on the 2nd inst. Albert Woodley expiated on the gallows the brutal murder of his intended wife in 1894.

Mrs. Alva S. Vanderbilt, lately divorced from W. K. Vanderbilt, is soon to wed Oliver Belmont the New York society leader.

George W. Cund, of Leonard, filed a deed of trust last week. His liabilities were rendered at $2,405.25.

Lee Crum, a white man, was foully murdered by two Indian boys near Antlers, I. T., on the 2d inst.

Justice Jarvis Blume, of the West Chicago Avenue station, killed a foot pad who was attempting to rob him on the 2nd inst.

Hon. J. C. Kearby, of Dallas, left Thursday for Washington, D. C., where he goes to push his claims for a contested seat in congress.

Engineer Baker and Fireman Hartman of the Rocky Mountain News special were killed in a railway wreck at Malta, Colo., on the 1st, caused by ice clogging in the switch.

The daily papers report an increased number of business failures since Jan. 1st,

The National Reform Press association will hold its next meeting in Dallas.

W. W. Winn, general western agent for the Mo'aska manufacturing company of St. Joseph, Mo., committed suicide in Denver on the 1st inst.

The Cuban rebels are making a strong fight for liberty. They are marching on to Havana and at the present writing their prospects for final victory is bright.

The republican party of Texas is by no means united. There is a reform element of that party which are inclined to support the populist ticket next November.

Miss Fannie Holt, a young lady of 22, died very suddenly of heart failure, in Grayson county, on the 31st ult. She was teaching at McColloms near Bells and was a daughter of W. S. Holt, a well known reformer of that county.

R. G. Dunn & Co's commercial report shows the number of failures for 1895 to be 13,198 as against 13,885 during 1894, but the aggregate of failures for 1895 is $173,916,000, while those of 1894 was $172,992,856. The average per failure of 1895 was $13,204 while that of 1894 was $12,458.

## HONOR ROLL.

The following gentlemen have our hearty thanks for financial favors extended in settling and renewing their subscriptions to The Democrat since our last report:

S. Moore.
J. P. Snider.
Wm. Cearley.
J. M. Holman.
W. M. Breakbill.
J. H. Cook.
John Lake.
C. B. Washburn.
W. H. Sanders.
W. A. Cox.
J. M. Calloway.
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B. A. Dodson.
R. J. Langham.
T. A. Pruitt.
w. J. Fuller.
John Loafman.
John warden.
E. M. Cox.
w. C. white.

## Died at Gainesville.

Little Tince Gallia, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gallia, died at Gainesville, evening of Jan. 2. Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Rudolph went to Gainesville to attend the funeral, the little girl being their niece. She was also a granddaughter of Mrs. Tom Bomar of this city.—Sherman Register.

Mrs. Gallia, mother of the child, is a sister of the Rudolph Brothers and formerly lived in McKinney.


# CASTORIA

for Infants and Children.

MOTHERS, Do You Know that Paregoric, Bateman's Drops, Godfrey's Cordial, many so-called Soothing Syrups, and most remedies for children are composed of opium or morphine?

**Do You Know** that opium and morphine are stupefying narcotic poisons?

**Do You Know** that in most countries druggists are not permitted to sell narcotics without labeling them poisons?

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**Do You Know** that Castoria is the prescription of the famous Dr. Samuel Pitcher. That it has been in use for nearly thirty years, and that more Castoria is now sold than of all other remedies for children combined?

**Do You Know** that at the Patent Office Department of the United States, and of other countries, have issued exclusive right to Dr. Pitcher and his assigns to use the word "**Castoria**" and its formula, and that to imitate them is a state prison offense?

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Bob Carpenter, the retiring manager of the Parlin & Orendorff Co.'s branch house in McKinney, will move this week to his farm, two and one-half miles northwest of Plano.


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## DISSOLUTION.

Jan. 1, 1896.

The firm of Dowell, Field & Love is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

Either of the partners are authorized to make settlements or adjust outstanding bills due the firm.

Thanking the public for the liberal patronage given us and earnestly request a continuance of the same to our successor, J. S. Dowell, who continues the same line at the same old stand, where the old firm retains an office.

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